

I have said many times that VA staff members are truly our unsung heroes. Director Williams is one of those heroes. Whether attending veterans' gatherings in Port Angeles about efforts to expand VA care on the Peninsula, or working with the difficult issues facing the Walla Walla VA Medical Center, Tim approached his job with integrity, honesty and a dedication to America's veterans.

Director Williams, I wish you all the best in the future, and thank you for your distinguished service.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1003. An act to amend the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 to reauthorize the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-992. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aviation Into-Plane Reimbursement Card" (DFARS Case 2006-D017) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-993. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security-Guard Services Contracts" (DFARS Case 2006-D011) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-994. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protests, Disputes, and Appeals" (DFARS Case 2003-D010) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-995. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule en-

titled "Berry Amendment Exceptions—Acquisition of Perishable Food, and Fish, Shellfish, or Seafood" (DFARS Case 2006-D005) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-996. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Free Trade Agreement—El Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua" (DFARS Case 2006-D019) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-997. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Radio Frequency Identification" (DFARS Case 2006-D002) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-998. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 15, 1995; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-999. A communication from the Attorney, Office of General Counsel for Legislation and Regulatory Law, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alternative Fuel Transportation Program; Replacement Fuel Goal Modification" (RIN1094-AB67) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1000. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to energy conservation standards; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1001. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Assessment of Potential Impact of Concentrating Solar Power for Electricity Generation"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1002. A communication from the Under Secretary for Science, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a study conducted to assess management practices in the Department; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1003. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the implementation of the Quincy Library Group's forest management proposal; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1004. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil and Gas and Sulphur Operations in the Outer Continental Shelf—Update of New and Reaffirmed Documents Incorporated by Reference" (RIN1010-AD24) received on March 14, 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1005. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Wisconsin; Cook Composites and Polymers Company" (FRL No. 8285-3) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1006. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting,

pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Spinosad; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8114-4) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1007. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Thifensulfuron Methyl; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8117-1) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1008. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribenuron Methyl; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8117-2) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1009. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Vermont: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions" (FRL No. 8287-8) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1010. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Standardized NUHOMS System Revision 9" (RIN3150-AI03) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1011. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, the report of several documents recently issued by the Agency that are related to its regulatory programs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1012. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Surface Transportation Project Delivery Pilot Program" (RIN2125-AF13) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1013. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Statewide Transportation Planning; Metropolitan Transportation Planning" (RIN2125-AF09) (RIN2132-AA82) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1014. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Size and Weight Enforcement Regulations" (RIN2125-AF17) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1015. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Construction and Maintenance" (RIN2125-AF18) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1016. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's competitive sourcing efforts for fiscal year 2006; to the

Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1017. A communication from the Chair, Good Neighbor Environmental Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's annual report relative to environmental protection activities and homeland security activities along the U.S. border with Mexico; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1018. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to the Congress: Assessing Alternatives to the Sustainable Growth Rate System"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1019. A communication from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to the Congress: Medicare Payment Policy"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1020. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Deaths and Estates" (RIN1400-AC24) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1021. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, (5) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department, received on March 13, 2007; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1022. A communication from the Human Resources Specialist, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and the designation of an acting officer for the position of Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1023. A communication from the Human Resources Specialist, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and the designation of an acting officer for the position of Deputy Secretary of Labor, received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1024. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnet Schools Assistance Program—Notice of Final Priority" (FR Doc. E7-4272) received on March 14, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1025. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Institute on Disability Rehabilitation Research—Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program—Disability Rehabilitation Research Projects and Rehabilitation Engineering Research Centers" (FR Doc. E7-2349) received on March 14, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1026. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnet Schools Assistance Program—Final Regulations" (FR Doc. E7-4270) received on March 14, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1027. A communication from the Director, Regulations and Policy Management

Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medical Devices; Hematology and Pathology Devices; Classification of Cord Blood Processing Systems and Storage Container" (Docket No. 2007N-0024) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1028. A communication from the Under Secretary for Management, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's competitive sourcing efforts for fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1029. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2007–2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1030. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Practice of Merit: A Symposium"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1031. A communication from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the approved mileage reimbursement rate per mile for Federal employees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1032. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the progress made according to section 5 of the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1033. A communication from the Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "5 CPF Part 21: Veteran Preference" (RIN3206-AL00) received on March 14, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1034. A communication from the Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program: Miscellaneous Changes, Corrections, and Clarifications" (RIN3206-AK99) received on March 14, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1035. A communication from the Director, Division for Strategic Human Resources Policy, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Employment in the Senior Executive Service, Restoration to Duty from Uniformed Service or Compensable Injury, Prevailing Rate Systems, Pay Administration (General), and Pay Administration Under the Fair Labor Standards Act: Miscellaneous Changes to Pay and Leave Rules" (RIN3206-AL21) received on March 14, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1036. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and the designation of an acting officer for the position of General Counsel, received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1037. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a re-

port entitled "Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1038. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a planned streamlined competition of military personnel performing air and surface training support functions at the Fleet Composite Squadron Six in Norfolk, VA; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1039. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the status of female members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1040. A communication from the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's annual report for fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1041. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determination" (72 FR 5197) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1042. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((72 FR 5630) (FEMA-7961)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1043. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Entities to the Entity List" (RIN0694-AD91) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1044. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inflation Adjustment of Civil Money Penalty Amounts" (RIN2501-AD30) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1045. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the financial statements of the Deposit Insurance Fund and the FSLIC Resolution Fund; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1046. A communication from the Director, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the apportionment of membership on the regional fishery management councils; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1047. A communication from the Vice President, Government Affairs and Communications, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the financial performance of train routes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1048. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement and Proceedings, Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Domestic Baggage Liability" (RIN2105-AD62) received on March 15, 2007; to

the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1049. A communication from the Secretary, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Maintenance Repair Reimbursement Pilot Program" (RIN2133-AB68) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1050. A communication from the Acting Chief Counsel, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Seaway Regulations and Rules: Periodic Update, Various Categories" (RIN2135-AA24) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1051. A communication from the Acting Chief Counsel, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tariff of Tolls" (RIN2135-AA25) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1052. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Model AB139 Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-SW-20)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1053. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A300 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-029)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1054. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Columbia Aircraft Manufacturing Models LC41-550FG and LC42-550FG Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-71)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1055. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 777 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-NM-176)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1056. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model CL-600-1A11, CL-600-2A12, and CL-600-2B16 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-NM-201)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1057. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model DHC-8-400 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-007)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1058. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives;

Raytheon Aircraft Company Models C90A, B200, B200C, B300, and B300C Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-34)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1059. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 737-200, -300, -400, and -500 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-NM-089)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1060. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca Model Arrius 2B1, 2B1A, and 2B2 Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NE-38)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1061. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A330, A340-200, and A340-300 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-059)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1062. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Aircraft Company Models 1900, 1900C, and 1900D Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-67)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1063. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines AG V2522-A5, V2524-A5, V2527-A5, V2526E-A5, V2527M-A5, V2530-A5, and V2533-A5 Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2003-NE-21)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1064. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Air Tractor, Inc. Models AT-501, AT-502, AT-502A, AT-502B, and AT-503A Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2004-CE-48)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1065. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE Systems Limited Model BAe 146 and Avro 146-RJ Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-133)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1066. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Aircraft Company Model 390 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-47)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1067. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration,

Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; PZL-Bielsko Model SZD-50-3 'Puchacz' Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-49)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1068. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 707-100 Long Body, -100B Long Body, -100B Short Body, -E3F, -300, -300B, and -300C Series Airplanes; Model 727-100 and -200 Series Airplanes; Model 737-200, -200C, -300, -400, and -500 Series Airplanes; Model 747-100B, 747-200B, 747-200C, 747-200F, 747-300, 747-400, 747-400D, 747SR, and 747SP Series Airplanes; Model 757-200 and 757-200 PF Series Airplanes; and Model 767-200 and -300 Series Airplanes; Equipped with Observer or Attendant Seats" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-NM-030)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1069. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation Model S-61L, N, R, and NM Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2004-SW-23)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1070. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Stemme GmbH and Co. KG Model S10-VT Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-84)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1071. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A300 B2 and B4 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-027)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1072. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model MD-11 and -11F Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-0091)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1073. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Withdrawal; Establishment of Class E Airspace; Mineral Point, WI" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. 06-AGL-02)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1074. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Creston, IA" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. 06-ACE-11)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1075. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Williamsburg, KY" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket

No. 06-ASO-13)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1076. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules (21); Amdt. No. 466" ((RIN2120-AA63)(Docket No. 30538)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1077. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (20); Amdt. No. 3200" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Docket No. 30530)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1078. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (8); Amdt. No. 3201" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Docket No. 30531)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1079. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (3); Amdt. No. 3203" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Docket No. 30533)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1080. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (17); Amdt. No. 3207" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Docket No. 30537)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1081. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (10); Amdt. No. 3205" ((RIN2120-AA65)(Docket No. 30535)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1082. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; B-N Group Ltd. BN-2, BN-2A, BN-2B, BN-2T, and BN-2T-4R Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-44)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1083. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 777-200 and -300 Series Airplanes Equipped with Rolls-Royce Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-203)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1084. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Alpha Aviation Design Limited, Model R2160 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-77)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1085. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration,

Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Pratt and Whitney Canada PW535A Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NE-35)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1086. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. Model EMB-145XR Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-058)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1087. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Stemme GmbH and Co. KG Model S10, S10-V, and S10-VT Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-85)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1088. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F27 Mark 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, and 700 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-NM-236)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1089. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Schenck-Hirth Flugzeugbau GmbH Model Duo Discus T Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-73)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1090. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Correction: Rolls-Royce plc RB211-524 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2004-NE-19)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1091. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; CFM International, S.A. CFM56 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NE-37)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1092. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Sicma Aero Seat; Third Occupant Seat Assemblies, 133 Series" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-NE-40)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1093. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Corporation AE 2100D3 Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NE-42)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1094. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. Model ERJ 170 and ERJ 190 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-135)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1095. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Dassault Model F2000EX Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-264)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1096. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron Canada Model 206A, B, L, L-1, L-3, and L-4 Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2005-SW-22)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1097. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. Model ERJ 170 and ERJ 190 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-195)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1098. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model CL-600-2B19 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-44)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1099. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747-100, 747-100B, 747-100B SUD, 747-200B, 747-200C, 747-200F, 747-300, 747SR, and 747SP Series Airplanes Equipped with General Electric CF6-45 or -50 Series Engines, or Equipped with Pratt and Whitney JT9D-3 and -7 Series Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-NM-262)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1100. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc RB211 Trent 700 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2004-NE-03)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1101. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; SOCAT—Groupe Aerospatiale TB 20 and TB 21 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-66)) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1102. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd and Co. KG Dart 528,

529, 532, 535, 542, and 555 Series Turboprop Engines" (RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2006-NE-17) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1103. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Non-American Fisheries Act Crab Vessels Catching Pacific Cod for Processing by the Inshore Component in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (ID No. 021407D) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1104. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Catching Pacific Cod for Processing by the Offshore Component in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (ID No. 021407C) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1105. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Vessels Catching Pacific Cod for Processing by the Offshore Component in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (ID No. 021407B) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1106. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Decrease the Commercial Trip Limit for Atlantic Group Spanish Mackerel in the Southern Zone" (ID No. 013107B) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1107. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 of the Gulf of Alaska" (ID No. 013107A) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1108. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Sablefish Managed Under the Individual Fishing Quota Program" (ID No. 021207I) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1109. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Processor Vessels Using Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (ID No. 021607K) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1110. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Chiniak Gully Research Area for Vessels Using Trawl Gear" (ID No. 021207C) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1111. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, De-

partment of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notification of 2007 No-Harvest Guideline for the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Crustaceans Fishery" (ID No. 021207A) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1112. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 630 of the Gulf of Alaska" (ID No. 022007A) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1113. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Rock Sole, Flathead Sole, and 'Other Flatfish' by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (ID No. 021607B) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1114. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Non-Community Development Quota Pollock with Trawl Gear in the Chinook Salmon Savings Areas of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (ID No. 020507D) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1115. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 610 of the Gulf of Alaska" (ID No. 020207C) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1116. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Atka Mackerel in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (ID No. 020107F) received on March 15, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of March 15, 2007, the following reports of committees were submitted on March 16, 2007:

By Mr. CONRAD, from the Committee on the Budget, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 21. An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of a nomination was submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

John Wood, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri for the term of four years.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. 911. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to advance medical research and treatments into pediatric cancers, ensure patients and families have access to the current treatments and information regarding pediatric cancers, establish a population-based national childhood cancer database, and promote public awareness of pediatric cancers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 912. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the incentives for the construction and renovation of public schools; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 913. A bill to clarify that the revocation of an alien's visa or other documentation is not subject to judicial review; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BOND, Mr. BURR, and Mr. SMITH):

S. 914. A bill to authorize the States (and subdivisions thereof), the District of Columbia, territories, and possessions of the United States to provide certain tax incentives to any person for economic development purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. DOLE (for herself and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. 915. A bill to establish a pilot program to provide grants to encourage eligible institutions of higher education to establish and operate pregnant and parenting student services offices for pregnant students, parenting students, prospective parenting students who are anticipating a birth or adoption, and students who are placing or have placed a child for adoption; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CRAPO, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 916. A bill to modify the boundary of the Minidoka Internment National Monument, to establish the Minidoka National Historic Site, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land and improvements of the Gooding Division of the Minidoka Project, Idaho, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. ALLARD:

S. 917. A bill to clarify the authority of the Secretary of the Interior with regard to management of elk in Rocky Mountain National Park; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. SMITH) (by request):

S. 918. A bill to authorize appropriations for activities under the Federal railroad safety laws for fiscal years 2008 through 2011, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. COLEMAN (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SPENCER, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. LAUTENBERG,